LEED AP HOMES CERTIFIED PASSIVE HOUSE DESIGNER

EDUCATION

RESUMÉ

FIRM RESPONSIBILITIES

ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL

Elitsa Shepherd

Project Architect

- Architect, Licensed in the State of California
- LEED AP Homes Accredited Professional
- Certified Passive House Designer
- CASp
- UC Berkeley: B. A. Architecture, 2012

Joining VMWP as an administrative assistant, Elitsa quickly advanced her role to interim business manager and architectural design assistant, which ultimately lead her to pursue a degree in architecture. While completing her studies at UC Berkeley, she stayed on at VMWP as an architectural intern and is now an essential part of VMWP's leadership. Elitsa works closely with clients, consultants, engineers and city staff to ensure that projects meet the needs of the owner, the future residents, the city and the neighbors. She oversees projects from initial conception to completed construction. Elitsa is the project architect of Vivalon Healthy Aging Campus & Senior Housing in San Rafael (a mixed-use project with 64 senior affordable residential units, which was recently completed), and Casa Roseland in Santa Rosa (76 family affordable units with an adjacent temporary food trucks park). She is also working on a mixed-use project in Redwood City (102 veteran affordable units, commercial kitchen, bar and event space for the American Legion, currently in Schematic Design). Elitsa was the project manager of 1101 Connecticut in San Francisco, the first phase of Rebuild Potrero. She has also completed several affordable housing renovation projects and is currently working on the Willows renovation (47 affordable units in San Jose).

- **VMWP PROJECT EXPERIENCE**
- <u>Vivalon Healthy Aging Campus & Senior Housing</u>, San Rafael, CA *mixed-use*, 64 units senior affordable housing
- American Legion, Redwood City, CA *mixed-use, 102 units veteran affordable housing with large event space and facilities for American Legion Post*
- Laurel at Perennial Park, Santa Rosa, CA Multi-Phased affordable senior housing
- <u>Casa Roseland & Mitote Food Park</u>, Santa Rosa, CA 76 units affordable housing & temporary food plaza
- <u>703 Third Street</u>, San Rafael, CA 120 units, mixed-use, mixed-income housing
- Vallco Town Center, Cupertino, CA mixed-use, multi-family housing
- Rebuild Potrero 1101 Connecticut, San Francisco, CA 72 units affordable housing
- <u>Colorado Park</u>, Palo Alto, CA 60 unit affordable housing renovation

AWARDS

VAN METER Williams Pollack

- Gold Nugget Award of Merit for Best Affordable 55+ Housing Community: Laurel at Perennial Park, Santa Rosa, 2024
- Gold Nugget Award of Merit for Best Affordable Housing Community: Rebuild Potrero 1101 Connecticut, San Francisco, 2020

